

Exhibit 16 - American Council on Science and Health

From: Carroll Beth USGR
Sent: Friday, August 28, 2009 1:22 PM
To: Gilbert Ross; Pastoor Tim USGR; Goldsmith Steven USGR; Ford Sherry USGR; Nadel Alan USGR
Subject: RE: ACSH proposal, "Pesticides and Health"

Hi Gil,
We are not able to open your file. Can you send it in Word?
Thanks
Beth

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From: Gilbert Ross [mailto:rossg@acsh.org]
Sent: Friday, August 28, 2009 1:36 PM
To: Carroll Beth USGR; Pastoor Tim USGR; Goldsmith Steven USGR; Ford Sherry USGR; Nadel Alan USGR
Subject: ACSH proposal, "Pesticides and Health"

Elizabeth Whelan

Dear Syngenta friends,

We enjoyed the opportunity to speak with all of you yesterday afternoon.
It is our mission to continue to be at the forefront of defending the scientific facts as they relate to atrazine and other pesticides/ag. chemicals.

As we made clear, ACSH is eager to commission a literature review on the general subject of pesticide exposure and human health. The paper would, of course, not be exclusively about atrazine, but the recent and ongoing "controversy" would be a primary focus. Like all of our reports, the paper would be peer reviewed in-house by perhaps 5 or more of our own scientific experts; we will then send the paper to an outside peer review journal.

Journals where ACSH literature reviews have been published recently include:

Ecotoxicology and Environmental Safety
International Journal of Toxicology
Medscape
Environmental Health Perspectives
Journal of Pharmaceutical Finance, Economics, and Policy
Comprehensive Reviews in Food Science and Food Safety
Regulatory Toxicology and Pharmacology
Technology
Food and Drug Law Journal

At the same time, we will "consumerize" this academic paper into a short consumer-friendly booklet, available for free download from our webpage. We may also redact it further into a color brochure, "What's the Story?" type pamphlet. We will widely distribute the report to the media, and use it as the basis for Op-eds, letters to the editor, media appearances etc. The work will be featured on our websites--including www.healthfactsandfears.com, which, as you know, is a Google news source. In the course of this project, we would bring our 400 scientists up to date on the subject.

Our budget for a project of this size is \$100,000.

This is separate and distinct from general operating support Syngenta has been so generously providing over the years, which we request to continue at current or increased levels. Such general operating support is the lifeblood of a small non-profit like ours, and is both deeply appreciated and much needed.

From: Gilbert Ross [rossg@acsh.org]
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 2:43 PM
To: Elizabeth Whelan; Goldsmith Steven USGR
Cc: Jeff Stier; Carroll Beth USGR; Pastoor Tim USGR
Subject: NPR "Fresh Air" [yeah right] posting by "Beth Whelan"
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NOTE: my-- how hard it is to restrict myself to 1250 "spaces" on such critically important topics! Gil



Elizabeth Whelan (BethWhelan) wrote:

Mr. Duhigg's articles are replete with exaggerated risk, bias, misrepresented science and sensationalism. He argues that the use of various "pollutants" with decades-long histories of safe use (e.g. atrazine) is putting us at risk. He is apparently unaware of the fact that minute levels of substances in our water do not pose a health threat. No American of any age has been harmed by trace levels of chemicals. Duhigg is playing to the fears of consumers who are unaware that without the use of agricultural chemicals our food supply would be diminished by half. The reality is that food is comprised of chemicals-many of which are toxic in animals at high dose but are safe when we consume them. Now the EPA, which stood behind its own studies confirming the safety of these chemicals, is going on a crusade which will waste more taxpayer millions seeking solutions to non-problems. We have so many serious health risks, yet you have given top priority to bogus risks. "Chemophobia" is in: scaring people about chemicals in our food, water, and consumer products gets attention—but it is counterproductive, distracting us from the real public health hazards we face today. Dr.E.Whelan acsh.org American Council on Science and Health, NYC
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